

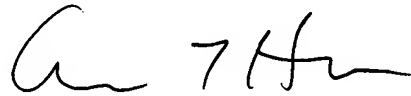
REMARKS

All claims have been allowed except for claim 12, which is now cancelled without prejudice in order to expedite allowance.

CONCLUSION

Applicant would be grateful if the Examiner would please contact Applicant's attorney by telephone if the Examiner detects anything in the present response that might hinder a speedy allowance.

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